

HALL TOWER IS UNSAFE
Report Shows Conditions Dangerous to Surrounding Property
CRACKS SHOW SATURDAY

Present, Colmar, Thionville, Cambrai and Metz Clippay.
At Espignoul a French patrol raided an enemy salient and destroyed the garrison.
On the Souain-Sottepils road (Champagne sector) the French raided the enemy lines over a front of 800 meters (approximately half a mile) penetrating first line positions, destroying gas machines and taking prisoners.
A German assault on Hurbelise farm (Chemin-des-Dames sector) was broken up.
BERLIN, Sept. 4.
Nineteen enemy airplanes and two captive balloons were downed in aerial fighting on the French front yesterday, the War Office announced today.

600,000 GERMANS FORCED TO QUIT IN TWO MONTHS
By HENRY WOOD
WITH THE FRENCH ARMIES IN THE FIELD

Forty German divisions—approximately 600,000 men—have been forced out of action in the Flanders and Verdun fighting since July 1.
The figures are from carefully checked up estimates. They show that on the Flanders front the Germans were forced to pull back for reorganization thirty divisions (450,000 men) on account of losses these units suffered. Twelve divisions (180,000 men) of those in action there July 1 still remain to fight.
Around the Verdun front, ten divisions (150,000 men) have been similarly withdrawn because of losses, and seven of the original divisions (105,000 men) still are there.
Twenty more German divisions (300,000 men) are now undergoing the same fire which put these forty out of action, and soon must be withdrawn for reformation.

RUSSIANS FAIL BRITISH IN ASIATIC CAMPAIGNS
LONDON, Sept. 4.

The long continued inactivity of the British forces in Turkey was today attributed in military circles to the conditions prevailing in the Russian army. The original plans for the crushing of Turkey called for joint offensives by the Russians and British, the former driving through Armenia, to effect a junction with the British in Mesopotamia, and the latter attacking in both eastern and western Turkey.
Bagdad was captured by the British on March 11, and following day the Russian revolution broke out. For a time the British and Russians continued to attack the Turks in concert, but then the Russian morale broke down and in eastern Persia the offensive came to an end, a deadlock developing which has lasted ever since.
In the meantime the British had invaded Palestine, adding their new pressure to the strain that was already beginning to tell upon the Turkish armies. A brilliant campaign during the latter part of April and the first part of May brought such successes to the British that positions were won in Palestine the offensive was taken in June. However, the weakening of the Russian thrust allowed the Turks to send reinforcements into the west, with the result that the British forces are still in positions in Palestine they were holding nearly four months ago.

McNichol Will Build Subway; Others Quit
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Thomas B. Smith Bonding Company, the Mayor's concern. The premiums on the bonds on the four contracts approximate \$100,000. The Thomas B. Smith Bonding Company receives as its commission for getting the business 30 per cent of this, or about \$30,000. The Mayor owns 80 per cent of the stock in the company, and therefore his profit will be about \$24,000.
When asked to comment upon the action of the contractors the Mayor said:
"The acceptance of the contract by Senator McNichol is a source of gratification both to me and Director Twining."
"I do not believe that the refusal of the other companies to accept will cause much delay. If the Keystone firm had declined to accept the contract we should have been in a serious way, as their contract calls for a great deal of the steel work. Director Twining will readvertise for the work covered by the contracts turned down, and this time will advertise for smaller units, possibly eliminating steel. That would allow us to do the excavating work and conditions of the steel market may be improved by that time."
MAYOR IS PLEASED
"I had thought that all would turn down the contracts or all would accept. I am certainly pleased that the big contract will go through. I was in touch with Director Twining until nearly midnight last night, and we decided to readvertise for all the work not accepted today. Conditions now make any kind of work a gamble."
"The acceptance by the McNichol firm looks like progress to me and I do not

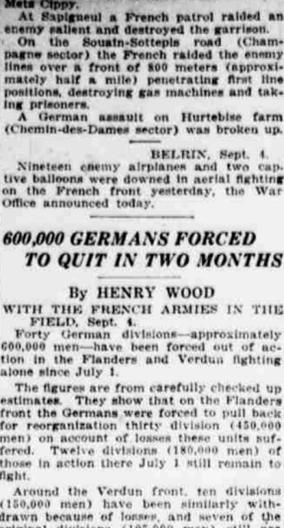
Canadians Gain 200 Yards on Lens Front
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to within eight miles of the Adriatic stronghold, according to reports received here by the Italian embassy.
The Allied vessels are protected from submarine attacks by a large fleet of destroyers, motorboats and mine sweepers.
It is believed the Austrian General Staff has had to keep several hundred thousand troops for protection of Pola, because of its investment from the sea.
The dual monarchy's main fleet has been bottled up in Pola since the beginning of the war.

GERMAN AIRMEN BOMB CITIES; FRENCH REPLY
PARIS, Sept. 4.

Thirteen German airplanes were brought down in extraordinary aerial activity on the French front yesterday, today's official report announced.
German airmen bombed Dunkirk and Calais, killing and wounding a number, and let bombs fly over the Nancy and Lunelville regions, without striking any victims. In return French aviators bombarded enemy aviation fields and other stations north of Soissons, at Roulers, Belgium; Liesterveide,

HOW RIGA'S FALL AFFECTS PETROGRAD



The arrows indicate the geographical relation of Riga to Russia's capital. The railroad route is also shown. The present approximate position of the battle line is marked out by the heavy black line running south from Riga.

believe that our transit plans will suffer much delay.
The Mayor added that he would be in conference all afternoon on transit questions, but would not be at City Hall. He will return to his office Friday in time for the transit hearing before the councilman's committee, he said.
Thirty-four invitations have been sent to persons to attend the first public hearing on the lease on Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, in Room 498, City Hall. The invitations were sent by Joseph P. Gaffney, chairman of Council's Finance Committee, and Charles Seger, chairman of the Street Railway Committee, to which the transit lease has been referred jointly.

Russians Flee as Fall of Riga Menaces Line
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part of the Russian Baltic Sea fleet was lying inside of the Gulf of Riga and that the fall of this port would seal its doom. However, up to the time this dispatch was written no news had been received as to the fleet. The belief is held in some competent quarters that the greater part, if not all, of the Baltic fleet is at Kronstadt, where there is a land fortress.
With Riga in their hands, the Germans may now use it as a base for combined land and sea operations against Reval and ultimately Petrograd.

QUICK AND HARD DRIVE ON PETROGRAD EXPECTED
LONDON, Sept. 4.

A quick, hard drive from Riga toward Petrograd is London's forecast today of Germany's Russian campaign. Military experts believe Germany will do her utmost in speed. The Germans must go far in the 320-mile journey toward the Russian capital before freezing weather sets in if they expect to rely on the German Baltic fleet's aid. They may also be expected to hurry with all speed to cover as much ground as possible before General Korniloff can carry out his plans for regeneration of the Russian army.
If the Russians manifest a proper fighting

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Berlin Takes Holiday to Celebrate Victory

BERLIN, Sept. 4.
Berlin took a holiday today to celebrate the fall of Riga.
The whole city was ablaze with flags, mottoes and pictures. All schools were closed and the people on the street jubilant in the victory. The scenes were reminiscent of earlier days of the war when Berlin was celebrating Hindenburg's victories against the Russians.
Merchants of Hamburg and Bremen took occasion to telegraph the Kaiser, assuring him of their loyalty and their determination to hold out, "rejoicing all foreign interference in Germany's internal affairs."
"From Riga northward dense masses of troops are crowding the roads day and night in the marches toward the Jaeger," the War Office statement declared today.
"The Russian resistance at Riga was broken down. The enemy's evacuation of the city was hurried."

Wilson Peace Reply Considered by Kaiser
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Hudson Prices Too Must Advance

Some Cars Already Increased Bring \$1200 and \$1400 Cars Up to Hudson Prices. Money Can Be Saved by Promptness

Fifty-one makers have already increased their prices since January 1st.
Former \$1200 and \$1400 cars now cost \$300 to \$400 more than they did one month ago. Some cars advanced January 1st, which again increased in price August 1st.
In the higher priced classes increases since December amount to \$350 to \$700.
Many makers have made two advances within the past eight months. Others give warning of further advances.

The Hudson Super-Sixes sell at the same price that they have sold at since last December.

Increasing cost of materials is responsible for higher prices in automobiles. It is affecting all makers. Soon Hudsons, too, must cost more. Today Hudsons are sold at the same price at which they have sold for several months because they are built from materials contracted for last fall. Then material prices were lower. Increases have been rapid since then.

Steel, the most largely used material in an automobile, is made from iron, and its price is affected by iron prices. Last December iron sold at \$30 a ton. Its average price for 25 years prior to the war was \$16 a ton. Today it is \$54 a ton.

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the Government shall announce its minimum demands and clear up the situation as regards the German view of Alsace and Lorraine.
Through the same news channels comes the prediction that the Reichstag will be dissolved soon after it reassembles and that general elections will follow.
SOCIALISTS DEMAND REFORM
Dr. Eduard David, Socialist leader of the Reichstag, in the Vorwaerts, the German Socialist organ, maintains the Reichstag has constitutional means of enforcing its will as no Government can continue to rule against its vote.
He says that new elections, in which the soldiers at the front would participate, would clearly show how the ship of state must be steered. He sees in prospect a crushing defeat of the Pan-Germans and annexationists.
Reports from Amsterdam indicate that the next session of the German Reichstag

will be devoted to the question of peace. The majority, it is said, will challenge the statement of the Government regarding the minimum peace program and, it is thought, the Government will yield with a view to peace negotiations before Christmas.
It is intimated that the German Government favors the plenipotentiaries meeting either at The Hague, at Bern or at Copenhagen, but preferably at The Hague.
The answer of the Pope to the Pope's note, it is said, would be that Turkey was co-operating heart and soul to obtain the most favorable response to the peace initiative, although not all the ideas read into the Papal note on the enemy's side met with approbation.
Reports also received through Amsterdam state that President Wilson's note vexes the German press. The Berlin Zeitung am Mittag speaks of the American Executive as a "diplomat in shirt sleeves."

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